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Amendments To The Specification:

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 1 line 2, as follows:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is ~~the US National Stage~~ a continuation of International Application No. PCT/EP03/02977, filed March 21, 2003 and claims the benefit thereof. The International Application claims the benefits of European application No. 02008044.6 EP, filed April 10, 2002, both of the applications are incorporated by reference herein in their entirety.--

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 1 lines 3 to 4, as follows:

~~--The invention relates to a method for coating a component in accordance with the preamble of Claim 1~~ with a ceramic powder mask.--

In the English translation document, please amend the paragraph at page 2 lines 11 to 13, as follows:

~~--The object is achieved by means of a method according to Claim 1~~ the claimed invention, in which the surface of the areas in which coating is not required is at least partially protected by a ceramic powder.--

In the English translation document, please delete the paragraph at page 2 lines 15 to 16, as follows:

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--Further enhancements to the method in accordance with Claim 1 are listed in the subclaims.--

In the English translation document, please amend the abstract at page 7, as follows (including deletion of the paragraph break between the terms "of its geometry" and "The inventive method"):

--Coatings that are applied to a component have to be removed again from certain areas using costly methods, because coating was not required in those areas. The subsequent removal of this layer can impair the component, for example in terms of its geometry. The inventive method for coating a component (1) uses a mask (7), which consists at least partially of a ceramic powder and can therefore easily be removed after the component (1) has been coated.--